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- 11. In response to reftel, Post contacted Helicopter Services to ascertain the bona fides of the foreign end-user company and whether the order for 25 Pynco NVIS filtered lamp assemblies (P/N 2654-73P) had in fact been ordered and received. Helicopter Services is in fact a legitimate New Zealand corporation located in Taupo and has been listed with the New Zealand Ministry of Economic Development since October 1988 as a viable enterprise incorporated under the laws of this country. Econoff spoke with John Bates who is the person responsible for ordering parts at the company's office located at the Taupo Airport. Mr. Bates confirmed that the parts in question had been ordered and the shipment was received in December 2005. He further indicated that all 25 pieces are currently installed in emergency medical service helicopters.
- 12. The POC at Post for Blue Lantern issues is Econoff, Tom Walsh who is prepared to follow-up with Helicopter Services if there are more specific questions or details regarding this case. Contact information, phone: (64) (4) 462-6000, email: walshtj@state.gov.

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